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In re Application of:)
HIROKI HAYASHI, et al.)
Application No.: 10/667,316)
Filed: September 23, 2003)
For: INK CONTAINER, RECORDING)
HEAD AND RECORDING)
DEVICE USING SAME)
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Group Art Unit: 2861
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of U.S. patent documents are not enclosed, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a) as revised September, 2004 and pursuant to the waiver published at 1287 OG 163 (October, 2004).

U.S. Patent 5,453,771
U.S. Patent 5,619,237
U.S. Patent 5,619,239
U.S. Patent 5,742,310
U.S. Patent 6,102,533
U.S. Patent 6,203,148
U.S. Patent 6,390,601
U.S. Patent 6,390,612
U.S. Patent 6,419,350
U.S. Patent 6,464,338
U.S. Patent 6,474,797
U.S. Patent 6,623,104
U.S. Patent 6,629,758
U.S. Patent Application Publication 2002/0118248
U.S. Patent Application Publication 2003/0016279
U.S. Patent Application Publication 2004/0076447

Applicants also respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to co-pending Application No. 10/669,333, filed September 25, 2003 by Keisuke Matsuo, Yasuo Kotaki, Tetsuya Ohashi, Noriko Sato and Hiroki Hayashi, which has been assigned in common with the present application.

This application has received an Office Action on the merits but has not yet received either a final action or a notice of allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and is accompanied by the \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). Consideration of the art cited herein is accordingly deemed proper, and such action is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialling the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

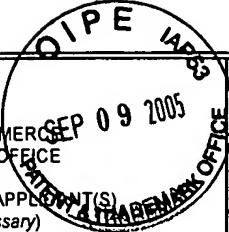
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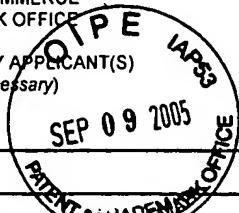
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